

SENATE BILL No. 377

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 9-13-2; IC 9-18; IC 9-29-5-40.5.

Synopsis: In the line of duty license plate. Creates an in the line of duty license plate, and specifies that it is not a special group recognition license plate.

Effective: Upon passage; July 1, 2006.

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January 11, 2006, read first time and referred to Committee on Commerce & Transportation.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 9-13-2-43.3 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3 1, 2006]: **Sec. 43.3. "Disability that arose in the line of duty", for**
4 **purposes of IC 9-18-50, has the meaning set forth in**
5 **IC 5-10-5.5-13.5(c).**

6 SECTION 2. IC 9-13-2-158.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
7 CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
8 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2006]: **Sec. 158.5. "Safety officer", for**
9 **purposes of IC 9-18-50, has the meaning set forth in IC 9-18-50-2.**

10 SECTION 3. IC 9-18-15-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.214-2005,
11 SECTION 55, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
12 JULY 1, 2006]: Sec. 1. (a) A person who is the registered owner or
13 lessee of a:

- 14 (1) passenger motor vehicle;
15 (2) motorcycle;
16 (3) recreational vehicle; or
17 (4) vehicle registered as a truck with a declared gross weight of



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not more than:

(A) eleven thousand (11,000) pounds;

(B) nine thousand (9,000) pounds; or

(C) seven thousand (7,000) pounds;

registered with the bureau or who makes an application for an original registration or renewal registration of a vehicle may apply to the bureau for a personalized license plate to be affixed to the vehicle for which registration is sought instead of the regular license plate.

(b) A person who:

(1) is the registered owner or lessee of a vehicle described in subsection (a); and

(2) is eligible to receive a license plate for the vehicle under:

(A) IC 9-18-17 (prisoner of war license plates);

(B) IC 9-18-18 (disabled veteran license plates);

(C) IC 9-18-19 (purple heart license plates);

(D) IC 9-18-20 (Indiana National Guard license plates);

(E) IC 9-18-21 (Indiana Guard Reserve license plates);

(F) IC 9-18-22 (license plates for persons with disabilities);

(G) IC 9-18-23 (amateur radio operator license plates);

(H) IC 9-18-24 (civic event license plates);

(I) IC 9-18-25 (special group recognition license plates);

(J) IC 9-18-29 (environmental license plates);

(K) IC 9-18-30 (kids first trust license plates);

(L) IC 9-18-31 (education license plates);

(M) IC 9-18-32.2 (drug free Indiana trust license plates);

(N) IC 9-18-33 (Indiana FFA trust license plates);

(O) IC 9-18-34 (Indiana firefighter license plates);

(P) IC 9-18-35 (Indiana food bank trust license plates);

(Q) IC 9-18-36 (Indiana girl scouts trust license plates);

(R) IC 9-18-37 (Indiana boy scouts trust license plates);

(S) IC 9-18-38 (Indiana retired armed forces member license plates);

(T) IC 9-18-39 (Indiana antique car museum trust license plates);

(U) IC 9-18-40 (D.A.R.E. Indiana trust license plates);

(V) IC 9-18-41 (Indiana arts trust license plates);

(W) IC 9-18-42 (Indiana health trust license plates);

(X) IC 9-18-43 (Indiana mental health trust license plates);

(Y) IC 9-18-44 (Indiana Native American Trust license plates);

(Z) IC 9-18-45.8 (Pearl Harbor survivor license plates);

(AA) IC 9-18-46.2 (Indiana state educational institution trust

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license plates);

(BB) IC 9-18-47 (Lewis and Clark bicentennial license plates);

(CC) IC 9-18-48 (Riley Children's Foundation license plates);

or

(DD) IC 9-18-49 (National Football League franchised professional football team license plates); or

(EE) IC 9-18-50 (in the line of duty license plates);

may apply to the bureau for a personalized license plate to be affixed to the vehicle for which registration is sought instead of the regular special recognition license plate.

SECTION 4. IC 9-18-25-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2006]: Sec. 1. This chapter does not apply to the following:

(1) Antique motor vehicle license plates (IC 9-18-12).

(2) Recovery vehicle license plates (IC 9-18-13).

(3) Personalized license plates (IC 9-18-15).

(4) Prisoner of war license plates (IC 9-18-17).

(5) Disabled veteran license plates (IC 9-18-18).

(6) Purple Heart license plates (IC 9-18-19).

(7) Indiana National Guard license plates (IC 9-18-20).

(8) Person with a disability license plates (IC 9-18-22).

(9) Amateur radio operator license plates (IC 9-18-23).

(10) Pearl Harbor survivor license plates (IC 9-18-45.8).

(11) In the line of duty license plates (IC 9-18-50).

SECTION 5. IC 9-18-50 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2006]:

Chapter 50. In the Line of Duty License Plates

Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "disability that arose in the line of duty" has the meaning set forth in IC 5-10-5.5-13.5(c).

Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "safety officer" means any of the following:

(1) A state police officer.

(2) A county sheriff.

(3) A county police officer.

(4) A correctional officer.

(5) An excise police officer.

(6) A county police reserve officer.

(7) A city police reserve officer.

(8) A conservation enforcement officer.

(9) A town marshal.

(10) A deputy town marshal.

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(11) A probation officer.

(12) A state university, college, or junior college police officer appointed under IC 20-12-3.5.

(13) An emergency medical services provider (as defined in IC 16-41-10-1).

(14) A member of a fire department (as defined in IC 36-8-1-8).

(15) A firefighter who is employed by the fire department of a state university.

(16) A volunteer firefighter (as defined in IC 36-8-12-2).

(17) A member of a police department (as defined in IC 36-8-1-9).

Sec. 3. The bureau shall design an in the line of duty license plate to be issued beginning January 1, 2007.

Sec. 4. An in the line of duty license plate must include the following:

(1) A basic design for the plate with consecutive numbers or letters, or both, to properly identify the vehicle.

(2) A background design, an emblem, or colors that designate the license plate as an in the line of duty license plate.

(3) Any other information the bureau considers necessary.

Sec. 5. A license plate issued under this chapter may be displayed on the following:

(1) A passenger motor vehicle.

(2) A truck registered as a truck with a declared gross weight of not more than eleven thousand (11,000) pounds.

(3) A recreational vehicle.

Sec. 6. After December 31, 2006, an individual who:

(1) is a resident of Indiana;

(2) is or was a safety officer; and

(3) has a disability that arose in the line of duty;

is eligible to register for an in the line of duty license plate for one (1) or more vehicles.

Sec. 7. An individual may receive and display an in the line of duty license plate on a vehicle according to this title after doing the following:

(1) Completing an application for an in the line of duty license plate.

(2) Paying the fee under section 9 of this chapter.

Sec. 8. The bureau shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to determine the manner in which an individual proves eligibility under section 6(2) and 6(3) of this chapter for the in the line of duty

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1 license plate.

2 Sec. 9. The fee for an in the line of duty license plate is the
3 appropriate fee under IC 9-29-5-40.5.

4 Sec. 10. The receipt of a license plate under this chapter does not
5 preclude the individual from securing a parking placard for a
6 person with physical disabilities under IC 9-14-5.

7 SECTION 6. IC 9-29-5-40.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
8 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
9 1, 2006]: Sec. 40.5. A vehicle registered under IC 9-18-50 is subject
10 to an annual registration fee and any other fee or tax required of
11 a person registering a vehicle under this title.

12 SECTION 7. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a)
13 Notwithstanding IC 9-18-50-8, as added by this act, the bureau of
14 motor vehicles shall carry out the duties imposed upon the bureau
15 under IC 9-18-50-8, as added by this act, under interim written
16 guidelines approved by the commissioner of the bureau of motor
17 vehicles.

18 (b) This SECTION expires on the earlier of the following:

19 (1) The date rules are adopted under IC 9-18-50-8, as added
20 by this act.

21 (2) December 31, 2007.

22 SECTION 8. An emergency is declared for this act.

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